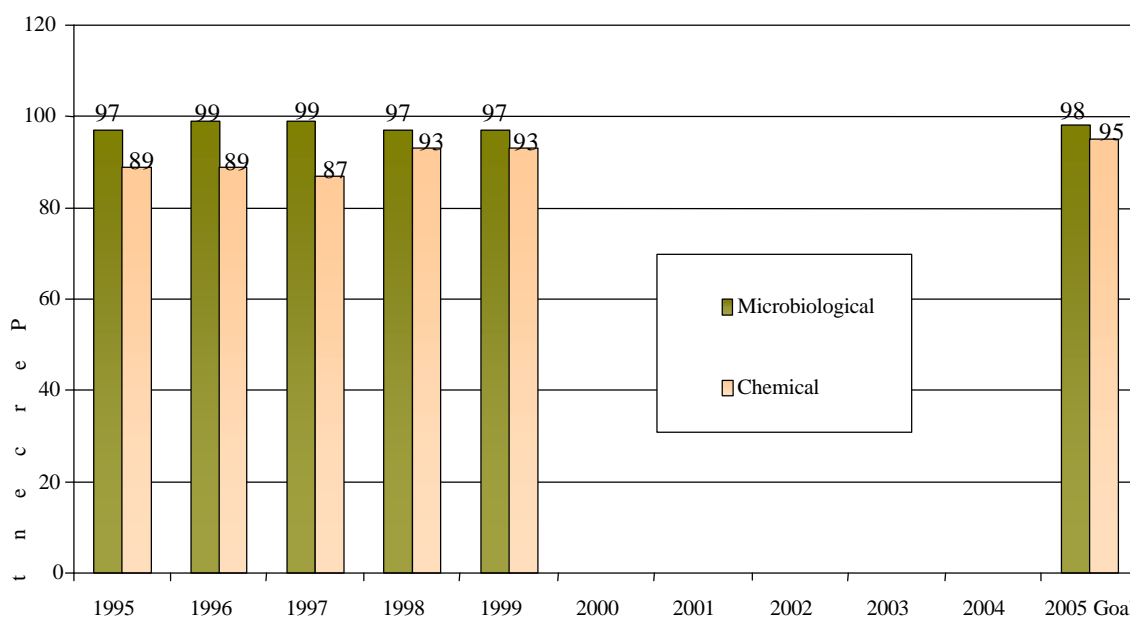


MILESTONE: By 2005, 98% of the public water systems (and 98% of the population served) will provide water that meets the microbiological drinking water standards and 95% will provide water that meets the chemical drinking water standards.

INDICATOR: Community Water Systems Meeting Microbiological and Chemical Drinking Water Standards

Percent of Community Water Systems Meeting Standards



Data Source: NJDEP Bureau of Safe Drinking Water

Since 1995, 97% or more of the community water systems in New Jersey have met the microbiological standards each year. Microbiological standards are indicators of bacterial contamination. Our compliance in this area is very good and we continue to meet the 95% milestone for this parameter. Compliance with all of the chemical standards has improved from 89 to 93 percent in community water systems.

Data Source: NJDEP Bureau of Safe Drinking Water

This fact sheet contains the most current, available data. For additional information on development of the microbiological component of this indicator, please see the [microbiological write-up in the Environmental Indicators Technical Report, 2nd Edition](#). For additional information on development of the chemical component of this indicator, please see the [chemical parameters write-up in the Environmental Indicators Technical Report, 2nd Edition](#).